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REFERENCES

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[redacted] an overlay to the official Stendal (M 53/Y 85) city map, dated September 1948, scale 1:10,000.

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[redacted] the military installations of the post, and [redacted] additional information on each installation. The reference numbers which follow correspond to those on the overlay.

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1 Hindenburg Kaserne, undamaged, formerly occupied by one battalion of the German 93d Inf Regt, now quarters about 500 troops of a motorized infantry unit.

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[redacted] The adjacent Puergorpark was used by the troops for sports and training.

2 Albrecht der Baer Kaserne, formerly occupied by the German 13th Ren Bn, now quarters 400 to 500 troops of a tank unit and an unidentified headquarters.

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2a Four large apartment houses with a total of about 60 rooms, now primarily occupied by Soviet officers. (1)

3 Soviet residential area, surrounded by a board fence, about 2 1/2 meters high, blocked to through traffic since the summer of 1950. Points marked on the overlay with an E were checkpoints guarded by sentries. The fence at the intersection of Friedrich Ebertstrasse and Deetzerstrasse was still under construction. (2)

4 Tauentzien Kaserne, undamaged, formerly occupied by a battalion of the German 93d Inf Regt, now occupied to capacity by about 600 motorized infantry troops.

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4a Four large apartment houses, occupied by the Red Army since 1946, turned back about the beginning of October 1950 in exchange for two apartment houses on Elisabethstrasse.

4b Southern annex of the billoting area, containing 17 apartment houses which were fenced in.

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4c Training field.

5 Viehhalle (cattle auction hall), formerly housed the German riding and driving school, now occupied by about 100 troops apparently belonging to a motor transport unit with a repair shop. [redacted] Gate guards wore black epaulets.

5a Tenement houses on Arnelburgerstrasse, included in the Viehhalle billeting area

5b Two villas opposite the main entrance of the Viehhalle, occupied by officers

6 Division ration supply depot, guarded by soldiers wearing red epaulets

7 Former building of the German highway engineering office, now occupied by an MVD unit

8 Group of three large houses, belonging to the MVD unit

9 Former German main customs office, now houses the Soviet komendatura for Stadtkreis and Landkreis Stendal

10 Former girls' high school, now used as a Red Army assembly hall and clubhouse

10a Two tenement houses, now occupied by the military personnel employed in the former girls' high school, a barber shop, and a commissary

11 Former Hans Schemm elementary school, a German wartime hospital, now houses a Red Army hospital

11a Former German recruiting district headquarters, now houses the administrative staff of the hospital. Night trucks were seen in the shed in the courtyard

12 Division bakery on the premises of the former Stendal sugar refinery. Trucks [redacted] were loaded with bread there on 2 December

13 Slaughterhouse, operated by the divisional butcher unit, [redacted]
(3)

[redacted] Comments.

- (1) [redacted] a headquarters from Ernst Thaelmannstrasse had moved into this group of apartment houses. [redacted] The headquarters referred to is believed to be the Hq 207th Itz Rifle Div.
- (2) The residential area, or so-called Russian Quarter, is closely linked with the Albrecht der Baer Kasern. It probably houses units from the barracks installation and Soviet officers with their families.
- (3) [redacted] the Hq 207th Itz Rifle Div in Stendal until 3 December.
- (4) Data agrees with previous information from Stendal, with the exception of the number of troops in the individual installations which deviate greatly from periodic reports on the Stendal military post. [redacted] For overlay to the Stendal city map, see Annex.

1 Annex: 1 - overlay to the Stendal city map of September 1943.

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